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FEE TRANSMITTAL For FY 2007

Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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Art Unit	1752
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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check all that apply)

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES

Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	Fee (\$)	Small Entity	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES

Fee Description

Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)

Fee (\$)	Small Entity
50	25
200	100
360	180

Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)

Multiple dependent claims

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	Multiple Dependent Claims
- 20 =	x	=		Fee (\$)
HP = highest number of total claims paid for, if greater than 20.				Fee Paid (\$)
Indep. Claims	Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)	
- 3 =	x	=		
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3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE

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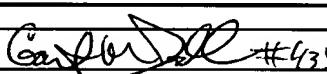
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For: SILVER HALIDE PHOTOGRAPHIC
EMULSION

Examiner: A. C. Walke

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
**(SUBMISSION AFTER NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE
BUT PRIOR TO PAYMENT OF THE ISSUE FEE)**

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, applicant(s) hereby submit(s) an Information Disclosure Statement for consideration by the Examiner.

I. **LIST OF PATENTS, PUBLICATIONS OR OTHER INFORMATION**

The patents, publications, or other information submitted for consideration by the Office are listed on the PTO-SB08(s), attached hereto.

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II. COPIES

Copies of cited U.S. patents and patent application publications are not included.
Copies of foreign patent documents and non-patent literature are included.

III. CONCISE EXPLANATION OF THE RELEVANCE

(Check at least one box)

a. DOCUMENTS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE - The patents, publications, or other information listed on the attached PTO SB08 are in the English language and therefore, do not require a statement of relevancy.

b. DOCUMENTS NOT IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE - A concise explanation of the relevance of all patents, publications, or other information listed that is not in the English language is as follows:

English language translations of the Abstracts of Reference Cite Nos. BA-BP are attached hereto.

c. ENGLISH LANGUAGE SEARCH REPORT - An English language version of the search report or action that indicates the degree of relevance found by the foreign office is attached, thereby satisfying the requirement for a concise explanation. See MPEP 609(III)(A)(3).

d. OTHER - The following additional information is provided for the Examiner's consideration.

Five (5) Office Actions issued to the corresponding Japanese applications and their English language translations are attached hereto.

At least one of the five Japanese Office Actions attached hereto cites references which are already of record, including US 6,100,019 (cited in 9/19/2001 IDS), JP 8-171162 (cited in IDS filed March 27, 2003).

THIS IDS IS BEING FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(d): After the mailing date of a Notice of Allowance. See the Statement Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(e).

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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Attachment(s):

- PTO-SB08
- Documents
- Foreign Search Report
- Fee
- Other: Five (5) Japanese Office Action with their English translations



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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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		Number-Kind Code ² (if known)			
AA*	US-5,582,965		12-10-1996	Deaton et al.	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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BA	JP-11-352619-A		12-24-1999			Abs
BB	JP-2000-267212-A		09-29-2000			Abs
BC	JP-10-123689-A		05-15-1998			Abs
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BE	JP-9-319018-A		12-12-1997			Abs
BF	JP-2001-235821-A		08-31-2001			Abs
BG	JP-10-307355-A		11-17-1998			Abs
BH	JP-5-323485-A		12-07-1993			Abs
BI	JP-2000-019666-A		01-21-2000			Abs
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BK	JP-10-268456-A		10-09-1998			Abs
BL	JP-10-062891-A		03-06-1998			Abs
BM	JP-2001-092057-A		04-06-2001			Abs
BN	JP-2001-066739-A		03-16-2001			Abs
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BP	JP-9-197595-A		07-31-1997			Abs

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Examiner Initials	Cite No. ¹	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ²

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